

Notice of Allowability

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to communication of 05/19/2008.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 24-36.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).**
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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of Biological Material | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____. |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Steven B. Samuels on 06/17/2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

24. (Currently Amended) A computer having thereon:

a first process operating on the computer comprising: code executing in connection therewith; a processing unit of said computer; the code including at least one triggering device; a digital license corresponding to the first process, the license setting forth terms and conditions for operating the first process; and a second process operating on the computer for proxy-executing code corresponding to each triggering device of the first process on behalf of such first process, the second process including a license evaluator for evaluating the license to determine whether the first process is allowed to operate in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in such license, the second process choosing whether to in fact proxy-execute the code corresponding to each triggering device of the first process on behalf of such first process based at

least in part on whether the license evaluator has determined that the first process is allowed to operate in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license, whereby the first process is dependent upon the second process for operation thereof.

30. (Currently Amended) A method in combination with a computer having a first process operating thereon and comprising code executing in connection therewith, the code including at least one triggering device, and a table including a code section corresponding to each triggering device of the first process and an address of the triggering device in the first process, the method for a second process operating on the computer to proxy-execute code corresponding to each triggering device of the first process on behalf of such first process, the method comprising:

the second process monitoring for when the first process executes a triggering device thereof;

the first process executing a triggering device and halting;

the second process noting the triggering device being executed by the first process and responding thereto by:

determining an address of the triggering device within the first process;

locating in the table the code section corresponding to the triggering device based on the determined address;

proxy-executing the located code section on behalf of the first process; and

signaling to the first process that the triggering device has been dealt with; and the first process then resuming, whereby the first process is dependent upon the second process for operation thereof.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 24-36 are allowed.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CHINWENDU C. OKORONKWO whose telephone number is (571)272-2662. The examiner can normally be reached on MWF 2:30 - 6:00, TR 9:00-3:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nasser Moazzami can be reached on (571) 272 4195. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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